

SC Annual School **Report Card** Summary

Ralph Chandler Middle School

GREENVILLE COUNTY

Grades: 6-8 **Enrollment: 715**

Principal: Rita Mantooth

Superintendent: Mr. Burke Royster Board Chair: Mr. Chuck Saylors

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YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD AND SILVER AWARD		ESEA/FEDERAL ACCOUNTABILITY RATING SYSTEM	
			General Performance	Closing the Gap	ESEA Grade	Accountability Indicator
2014	Excellent	Excellent	TBD	TBD	В	N/A
2013	Excellent	Excellent	GOLD	N/A	В	N/A
2012	Excellent	Excellent	GOLD	N/A	Α	N/A

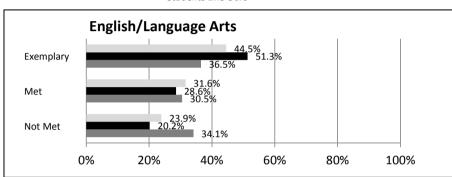
ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF MIDDLE SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

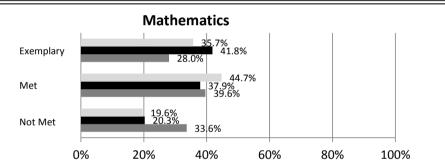
EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
13	4	1	0	0

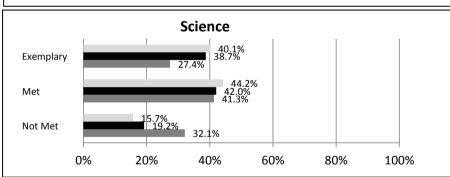
^{*} Ratings are calculated with data available by 04/27/2015. Schools with Students Like Ours are Middle Schools with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this school.

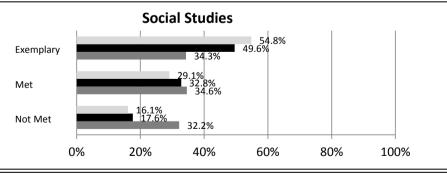
SC PASS PERFORMANCE Our School

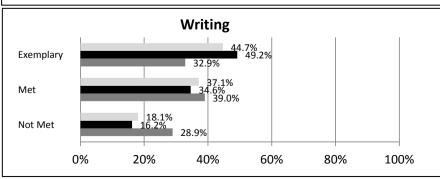






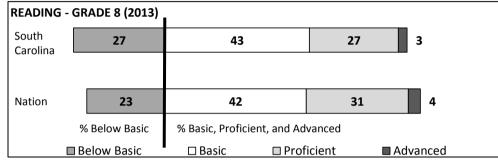


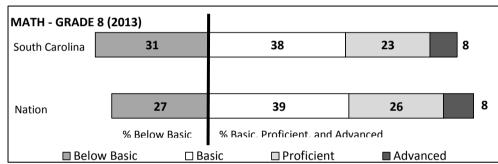


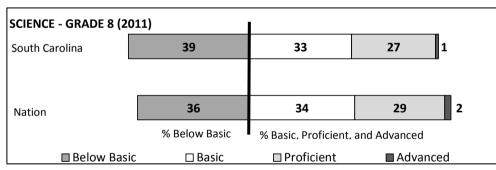


NAEP*

*Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level. Percentages at NAEP Achievement Levels.







END OF COURSE TESTS - 2014					
% of Students scoring 70 or above on:	Our Middle School	Middle Schools with Students Like Ours			
Algebra 1/Math for the Technologies 2	100.0%	98.6%			
English 1	98.1%	99.2%			
Biology 1	N/A	N/A			
US History and the Constitution	N/A	100.0%			
All Subjects	99.2%	98.7%			

SC PERFORMANCE VISION

By 2020 all students will graduate with the knowledge and skills necessary to compete successfully in the global economy, participate in a democratic society and contribute positively as members of families and communities.

Abbreviations Key

Ralph Chandler Middle School **GREENVILLE COUNTY**

SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Middle Schools with Students Like Ours	Median Middle Schools
Students (n = 715)				
Students Enrolled in high school credit courses (grades 7 & 8)	53.2%	Down from 56.1%	43.9%	26.0%
Retention rate	1.1%	Up from 0.8%	0.3%	0.6%
Attendance rate	96.7%	Up from 96.0%	96.9%	96.2%
Served by gifted and talented program	28.7%	Up from 24.7%	31.6%	19.4%
With disabilities	10.0%	Down from 11.0%	10.2%	12.8%
Older than usual for grade	3.7%	No change	2.8%	4.5%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.6%	Down from 1.4%	0.3%	0.4%
Annual dropout rate	0.0%	No change	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers (n = 40)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	62.5%	Up from 57.5%	67.9%	61.3%
Continuing contract teachers	70.0%	Down from 75.0%	83.8%	75.9%
Teachers returning from previous year	84.5%	Up from 83.1%	90.7%	85.4%
Teacher attendance rate	94.3%	Down from 94.4%	95.1%	95.2%
Average teacher salary*	\$42,797	Up 1.3%	\$48,149	\$47,081
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.0%	No change	3.4%	5.8%
Professional development days/teacher	8.5 days	Down from 10.5 days	8.5 days	10.6 days
School				
Principal's years at school	6.0	Up from 5.0	5.5	3.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	25.1 to 1	Down from 27.2 to 1	24.9 to 1	21.5 to 1
Prime instructional time	90.2%	Up from 89.6%	91.0%	90.1%
Opportunities in the arts	Excellent	No change	Good	Good
SACS accreditation	Yes	No change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	100.0%	Up from 99.2%	99.9%	99.0%
Character development program	Good	No change	Good	Good
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$5,707	Up 0.7%	\$6,785	\$7,616
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	56.5%	Up from 56.0%	63.0%	62.0%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	55.2%	Up from 55.0%	62.4%	61.3%
ESEA composite index score	82.1	Down from 84.9	86.5	77.9

^{*} Length of contract = 185+ days.

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	34	219	115
Percent satisfied with learning environment	100.0%	69.4%	80.0%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	100.0%	79.4%	82.6%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	97.1%	83.0%	59.8%

^{*}Only students at the highest middle school grade level at this school and their parents were included.

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REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

Ralph Chandler Middle School has been serving the families in the Simpsonville and Fork Shoals communities since 2008. RCMS is a family-friendly school where parents, community, and staff work to create a school climate that fosters academic rigor, high expectations, and well-rounded youth. The school enrollment is 700 plus students and has grown steadily since we opened.100% of our staff is highly qualified. This staff consists of 34 teachers, 7 support staff members, and 3 administrators. We are proud to have 3 teachers who hold National Board Certification and over 65% of our staff hold Master's degrees. Our most recent state assessment shows that more than 80% of our students met or exceeded the standard in ELA and Math. Teachers continue to use technology as an integral part of daily instruction. New strategies like project-based learning, interactive notebooks and various hands-on activities provide learning experiences that promote engagement and creativity. Staff members consistently meet to analyze data which includes reviewing formative assessments, benchmark tests and MAP scores. This allows us to provide rigorous academic experiences for our students, and continues to be the foundation for professional development for our teachers. RCMS is proud of the many accomplishments of our students. 60% of our students were recognized on honor rolls during the year; 64 7th graders qualified for the Duke Talent Identification Program; 250 of our students were enrolled in advanced classes; and 17 8th graders were named Junior Scholars. The data analysis also allowed us to create mentoring and enrichment programs for students who needed additional assistance. Our band/strings programs continue to achieve excellent ratings at state and regional events and our drama department produced two shows this year. 4 out of 9 of our athletic teams qualified for the playoffs. 50% of our students and parents participated in student led conferences held twice during the school year. Our school continues to receive extra support from the PTSA and SIC.Teachers were awarded \$8,000 in grants to support instruction and to purchase equipment to enhance teaching and learning. SIC collaborates with teachers and staff to support the efforts of the school to respond to the needs of families and works proactively to build parent-school relationships. Classes will be offered to the parents during back to school events to foster parental involvement. In an effort to help students understand how they can become active members of their community, programs such as the Giving Tree, an annual blood drive, fund raising for the Humane Society, and our Quarters for Christmas were created as opportunities to meet this goal. Our mission, vision, and goals support our work to raise academic achievement for our students. We strive to meet all of the needs of our students: academic, social, developmental and emotional. For further information concerning our school, please visit our website at http://www.greenville.k12.sc.us/chandler/.

Rita Mantooth, Principal and Lynn Magnan, SIC Chair

Abbreviations Key

N/R-Not Reported

I/S-Insufficient Sample

TBD-To Be Determined

^{**}Prior year audited financial data available.